

Assembly Bill No. 1615

CHAPTER 142

An act relating to the payment of claims against the state, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1615, Gatto. Claims against the state: payment.

Existing law authorizes a procedure for the state to pay claims against the state.

Existing law, the Chiropractic Act, enacted by initiative, provides for the licensing and regulation of chiropractors by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

This bill would appropriate funds from the State Board of Chiropractic Examiner's Fund in a prescribed amount to settle claims against the state arising from a specified legal action. The bill would also appropriate funds from the General Fund in a prescribed amount to settle claims against the state arising from a separate specified legal action. The bill would provide that any appropriated funds in excess of the amount required to pay those claims revert to the fund from which the proceeds were taken.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Appropriation: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. (a) The sum of two million six hundred ninety-eight thousand dollars (\$2,698,000) is hereby appropriated from the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners' Fund to the Department of Justice to pay the settlement in *Arbuckle v. California Board of Chiropractic Examiners, et al.* (Court of Appeal, Third District, California, 2013, No. WL 3467054). Any funds appropriated in excess of the amounts required for the payment of this claim shall revert to the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners' Fund.

(b) The sum of one hundred fifty-seven thousand dollars (\$157,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice to pay the judgment in *Planning and Conservation League v. State* (Alameda County Superior Court, 2013, No. RG 12626904). Any funds appropriated

in excess of the amounts required for the payment of this claim shall revert to the General Fund.

SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to pay claims against the state and end hardship to claimants as quickly as possible, it is necessary that this bill go into immediate effect.